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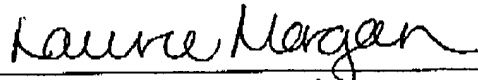
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
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Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Applicant appreciates Examiner's finding of allowable subject matter. This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2005, with a three month shortened statutory period for reply.

Amendments to the claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

A listing of the claims begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.